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The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

For Your Holiday Wines and Liquors see the American Importing Co. (In the Board & Stokes Store.) 81

Columbia and Victor Gramophones and all the latest records at Chicago prices, for sale by A. R. Cyrus, 424 Commercial St. 11

Now's Your Time—Charles Orkowitz has just received a fine line of umbrellas and not a shop-worn article among them. Call at once!

How Do I look.—To really see yourself as others see you, get one of those new style mirrors at Hart's Drug Store, all prices. A new supply just received.

I am positively going to retire from business and must sell out as soon as possible and from now on will give you still greater bargains at C. H. Cooper's great retiring sale.

Do you feel sleepy and not a bit like working in the afternoon? Perhaps it's because of the kind of lunch you're eating—too heavy and too hard to digest. Why not try the Palace restaurant on Commercial street, where all the baking is done in those famous slow-process ovens, which turn out light, appetizing wholesome things? You'll save money, too. 11

At St. Mary's Today—At 7 o'clock this morning Rev. Father Waters, rector of St. Mary's Catholic church, will perform the sacred and happy office of marriage in behalf of two of Astoria's well known and popular young people, Mr. Sidney Blake and Miss Anna McGee.

Dies in Astoria—P. Peterson, of Gray's River was brought over from that place late Monday night and died shortly afterwards at St. Mary's hospital. His death is ascribed to cancer of the stomach. No arrangements for his funeral have yet been made.

Grand Post Ball—The annual post ball at Fort Stevens on Monday night was one of the real successes of the season and it was attended by a general host of young people from all over the peninsula, and from the Washington banks of the Columbia. The floor, music, management, refreshments, everything, were of the best possible and the social enjoyment was one of long drawn and unqualified pleasure. The Astoria contingent quit dancing just in time to eat a bite of hurried breakfast and catch the early train to the city; but about twenty couples were left on the station and having watched their train fade away into the misty distance, returned to the post, breakfasted, warmed up, called in the band, and went on with the dance until the departure of the 2 p. m. train, which they caught for home.

HOT DRINKS

Hoefler's
SANDWICHES

HIGH SCHOOL WINS.

Slippery Field Makes Game Less Interesting Than Was Anticipated.

A muddy, slippery ground and a heavy flurry of snow did not make the game between the West End and the High School football teams a dull game by any means, but they took away all possibility of fast team work. So bad was the field that a favorite device of the players carrying the ball seemed to be to get down and slide. This was rather a hard maneuver to stop.

The first half was rather ragged, both teams playing high and fumbling frequently. The fumbling in the second half was nearly as bad, but the men played more rapidly.

The game developed a new star for the High school, A. Mattson, the big right guard, whose ability to follow the ball won much praise. Another star was Captain Hughes, who was the best ground-gainer on the field. The High School lads were well coached, Harry Flavel, Manager Young and Dick Smith directing their training.

The Uniontown team was the more evenly strong and played a good consistent game, which made it difficult to pick out the work of the individual men for praise. The backfield was especially strong in punts, which were much used. Fred Wilson was captain and directed his men well.

The final score stood 11 to 8 in favor of the High school.

Mr. Gruesz was umpire and Mr. Woods referee. Chief of Police Gamal officiated.

This is no Holiday—The holidays are past and gone. This is just a common, old-fashioned business day, emphasized by the inevitable monthly bill. Astorians will each and all receive cold and well-calculated reminders that the work of the new year has commenced; even the "kids" and "kiddies" will be made to realize the fact by the compulsory attendance at schools and the prompt resumption of "lessons." As a matter of fact, the only people hereabout who will not note any lapse in conditions are the railroad and steamboat men, whose work and schedules were undisturbed by either of the great holidays just passed. But Astoria will cheerfully get down to business all the same.

Reported, but Unconfirmed—When the Seaside train arrived here last evening and stopped at Eleventh street, it is reported that a certain citizen, whose name is carefully withheld, got off on the bay side of the train and started uptown in a hurry, and wound up suddenly in the river, whence, luckily, he was instantly fished out by some of the numerous bystanders. He was none the worse for his bath and disappeared instantly after briefly, but gratefully, expressing his thanks to those who aided him so promptly. The Astorian is glad to record so happy an issue from so bad a mistake as was made in this instance.

The Business Year—Today the business year of 1907 really begins here in Astoria. Her schools open up for the second half of the term; the biggest and busiest session of her county court begins this morning; all the mills in the neighborhood open up full blast; all the new business adjustments will be perfected; all new contracts, leases and commercial engagements go into effect. She has had a glad season and made the most of it, and all hands are ready for the new year's fray; eager, fresh, full of hope, proud of their city and willing to contribute to the new and finer record awaiting fruition.

Quiet New Year's—Yesterday was a quiet day in the local police department. None of Astoria's residents celebrated the passing of the old year so strenuously as to bring them into the clutches of the law; there were no disturbances—save that made by a hideous combination of whistles, bells, fire-crackers and human voices at midnight to charavari the New Year—and there was but one arrest, that of a vagrant, who will be tried today.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

E. A. Anderson of Gray's River is a guest of the Merwyn Hotel.

E. S. McElroy and wife of Warrenton spent New Year's Day in Astoria. S. Wirkkila and wife of Gray's River, are registered at the Irving Hotel.

Miss May Dawson of Warrenton is visiting in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Long and Hilda Sempie of Gray's River were in Astoria yesterday.

G. W. Talbot, head of the A. & C. R. Railroad, came down from Portland yesterday and put up at the Occident Hotel.

Thos. Harris of Svenson spent yesterday in this city.

J. K. Leally came over from Gray's River yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pool of Ilwaco are guests at the Occident Hotel.

A. F. Higgins of Portland is in Astoria on a short business trip.

Leonard Hicks came in on the Nahcotta yesterday from Ilwaco.

W. H. Coats of Detroit, Mich., is in Astoria on business.

SILVER FOR BALLAST.

Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Rails Over Treasure-Bearing Rock.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—The Temiskaming & Northern Ontario branch of the Canadian Pacific, now being finished, was unwittingly ballasted for many miles, with silver ore by the Canadian government, by which it was built.

Much of the surface of the region between Lake Temagami and the Montreal river, is covered with a thick soil over Huronian rock. It is a desolate land in appearance, though in summer nature does her best to hide the bare, forbidding, but treasure-bearing rock. Carload after carload of ballast was hurriedly dumped on the sleepers and shoveled into place by the laborers, who knew the silver ore only by name, and who wanted only to get away as soon as possible. They never suspected that much of the rock they shoveled and stamped was silver bloom and it was not until a few weeks ago that the discovery was made.

Length after length of rails were stretched across silver ore, some of which has been found to contain values as high as \$600 to the ton. Train after train had rattled over the ore-ballasted track, the engineer's gaze fixed on the distance, scorning the dull, seemingly worthless stones, which, it is proven, are worth many times the cost of the railroad, its rolling stock and its gross earnings for many years to come.

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HISTORIC SWORD.

Weapon of Paul Jones Given to Navy Department Library.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The sword of John Paul Jones now rests in the library of the Navy Department, where it has been placed by Commander Reginald Nicholson, to whom it has descended. It is believed that the weapon was presented to Jones by the North Carolina family of that name at the time he changed his own name in compliment to them.

The sword is 30 inches long, beautiful in design, very strong and highly tempered. The hilt is of white brass, with the part known technically as the basket, broken away. The tank is wide and strong and the grip piece of the handle is of wood, covered with twisted copper wire.

TOM PLATT'S SUCCESSOR.

New York's Broken Political Idol Soon to Retire.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—The selection of a successor to Senator Thomas C. Platt is agitating the minds of politicians just now. That Senator Platt contemplated early resignation has been repeatedly reported, and as often denied, but now it is declared with positiveness and a large showing of authority that his resignation will be tendered Governor Hughes early in the new year.

Washington is inclined to the belief

that President Roosevelt will dictate the selection of a successor to Senator Platt, though he may first have to fight it out with opposing elements. The President's first choice, it is understood, would be Secretary of State Elihu Root, but Mr. Root positively refuses to be a wearer of a toga. Other men prominently mentioned are Timothy L. Woodruff and J. Sloat Fassett. Joseph H. Choate, formerly ambassador to Great Britain, also has a considerable following, but it is declared his candidacy lacks the requisite approval of Mr. Roosevelt. Since Mr. Choate returned from the court of St. James he has been prominently identified in a legal way with Standard Oil and other large corporate interests, and the President is anxious for a senator from his native state who will be free from even a suspicion of sympathy with the trusts.

NO NEW YEAR FOR HIM.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—One serious crime marked the out going year here. Robert Wagner, 20 years old and Harry Bell, 17 years of age quarrelled in Brooklyn just before midnight. In the fight that followed Bell drew a knife and stabbed Wagner in the neck, the wound causing death soon after. Bell surrendered to the police.

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